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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Inge Application of

HARRY A. SUN, et al.

Serial No.: 08/667,677

Group Art Unit: 2771

Filed: June 21; 1996

Examiner: Diane Mizrahi

For:

METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR FACILITATING DATA REPLICATION USING OBJECT GROUPS

THE COMMISSIONER OF PATENTS AND TRADEMARKS Washington, DC 20231

Dear Sir:

Transmitted herewith is an Amendment in the above identified application.

No additional fee is required.

Small entity status of this application under 37 CFR 1.9 and 1.27 has been established by a verified

statement previously submitted.

A verified statement to establish small entity status under 37 CFR 1.9 and 1.27 is enclosed.

Also attached: Postcard.

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Independent Claims	5	3	2	\$82.00	164.00
		Multiple claims newly presented			
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Respectfully submitted,

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Assistant Commissioner for Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE

Sir:

This is in response to the Office Action mailed October 27, 1997, the shortened statutory period for which runs until January 27, 1997. Please revise the subject application as indicated below.